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SUBJECT: 22ND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE RED CROSS,  
TEHRAN, NOVEMBER 7-16, 1973

REF: STATE 164766

1. IN CONVERSATION TODAY WITH DIRECTOR ICRC LEGAL DIVISION  
PILLOUD, MISOFF HAD OPPORTUNITY MAKE DISCREET INQUIRIES  
CONCERNING CONSIDERATION BY SUBJECT CONFERENCE OF  
RESOLUTION DEALING WITH ICRC DRAFT PROTOCOLS ON INTERNATIONAL  
HUMANITARIAN LAW. MISOFF INDICATED USG'S WILLINGNESS  
TO SUPPORT RESOLUTION TAKING NOTE OF DRAFT PROTOCOLS, EXPRESSING  
APPRECIATION OF ICRC'S EFFORTS IN DEVELOPING THEM, APPLAUDING  
SWISS CALL OF DIPLOMATIC CONFERENCE IN SPRING 1974 FOR PURPOSE  
CONSIDERING DRAFT PROTOCOLS, ETC. MISOFF EXPRESSED HOPE  
THAT ANY SUCH RESOLUTION WOULD AVOID UNDESIRABLE PROVISIONS,  
E.G. ONE DEALING WITH RESTRICTIONS ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS.

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2. PILLOUD HASTENED TO STATE THAT ICRC SHARES USG'S VIEW

THIS REGARD AND HE EXPLAINED THAT IT IS ICRC'S OBJECTIVE TO ACHIEVE A NON-CONTROVERSIAL RESOLUTION AT TEHRAN CONFERENCE. WITH THIS OBJECTIVE IN VIEW, PILLOUD SAID, ICRC HAS ALREADY BEEN IN CONTACT WITH BLIX (SWEDEN), BONZALES-GALVES (MEXICO) AND CERTAIN OTHER EXPECTED DELEGATES TO TEHRAN CONFERENCE. MOREOVER, HE SAID, ICRC WILL CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS THIS REGARD RIGHT UP TO CONFERENCE TIME. PILLOUD EXPRESSED GUARDED OPTIMISM THAT RESOLUTION EMERGING FROM TEHRAN CONFERENCE WILL BE NON-CONTROVERSIAL.

3. PILLOUD EXPRESSED CONCERN, HOWEVER, OVER HANDLING OF MATTER IN UNGA LATER THIS AUTUMN WHERE HE BELIEVES SWEDES AND CERTAIN OTHER DELS WILL PRESS FOR RESOLUTION CONTAINING SPECIFIC PROVISIONS DEALING INTER ALIA WITH RESTRICTIONS ON CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS, LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND JOURNALISTS.

4. PILLOUD WILL BE ABSENT FROM GENEVA THROUGHOUT SEPTEMBER BUT ASSURED MISOFF THAT HE WOULD GIVE US AN UP-TO-DATE REPORT IN EARLY OCTOBER. BASSIN

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